

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 were previously pending in the application. By the Amendment, Claims 1, 12 and 13 are currently amended, Claim 18 is canceled without prejudice, new Claims 19 and 20 have been added, and Claims 2-11 and 14-17 remain unchanged.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that Claim 18 include allowable subject matter. Independent Claim 1 has been amended to include the elements of allowable Claim 18. Therefore, independent Claim 1 is now allowable. Dependent Claims 2-11 depend from independent Claim 1 and are allowable for the same and other reasons.

Claims 1-17 were rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Forest (US 5,999,895).

Applicants have amended Claims 12 and 13 to clarify that multiple sets of programs are stored with each set of programs being specific to a language region.

Forest does not disclose this feature. As described earlier, Forest only displays the menu options in one of the various languages on the menu display screen. The display language on the menu may be changed, but the actual programs are the same.

For these and other reasons, Forest does not disclose the subject matter defined by independent Claims 12 and 13. Therefore, Claims 12 and 13 are allowable. Claims 14-17 depend from Claim 13 and are allowable for the same reasons and also because they recite additional patentable subject matter. Claim 20 depends from Claim 12 and is allowable for the same reasons and also because it recites additional patentable subject matter.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, entry of the present Amendment and allowance of Claims 1-17, 19 and 20 are respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned. If an extension of time for this paper is required, petition for extension is herewith made.

Respectfully submitted,

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